THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SHANTARAM POTDUKHE): (a) to (c) Under the Overdraft Regulation Scheme, currently in force, no State Government is allowed to incur an overdraft with hte Reserve Bank of India for more than seven consecutive working days. In case the overdraft appears in the State Government's account beyond seven consecutive working days, the Reserve Bank stops payments on behalf of the State Governments till the overdraft is cleared. The question of withdrawal of overdraft facility, therefore, does not arise. However, during June, 1992, payments on behalf of Governments of Himachal Pradesh, Kerala, West Bengal Assam and Tripura were suspended as their overdrafts persisted beyond seven consecutive working days. The payments were, subsequently, resumed on clearance of their overdrafts.

(d) It is primarily the responsiblity of the State Governments to keep their expenditure within the framework of receipts so that they do not run into overdraft in their accounts with the Reserve Bank of India.

(e) and (f) Question does not arise.

Insurance Claims in Kashmir

2010. SHRI SHABBIR AHMED SALARIA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of insurance claims from Kashmir Province of J & K against damaged/destruction/ loss of immoveable and moveable properties, lodged in 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991 and 1992 with the State Controlled Insurance Companies;

(b) what is the number of claims that have been settled by making payment which had been accepted by insurers, starting the amount that was claimed and actually paid;

(c) what are the details of cases where insurance claims are still pending; and

(d) what is the number of immoveable properties that have been insured in 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991 and 1992 against the number of requests?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (d) The requisite information is as follows:—

	1988-89 (15 months)	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92
No. of Claims	5497	4786	6265	515
No. of Claims settled	3214	2798	3663	3055
Amount paid in lakhs of Rupees	643	534	642	833
No. of Properties insured	21162	29799	26978	29892

Number of cases where insurance claims are still pending:—

Name of the Insurance Co.	No. of Claims Pending
Oriental Ins. Co.	2
New India Ass. Co.	3
United India Ins. Co.	2
National Ins. Co.	Nil